

## <1/9/19 UTLA LAUSD Bargaining Update> Strike Delayed to Monday but Expect Protests Tomorrow

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Dear Los Angeles Charter Leaders,

Please review the items highlighted below in yellow to ensure your school community is prepared for the ongoing threat of a strike and other job actions this week and next. New or modified items are noted in red. We write with today's updates and news coverage regarding bargaining between UTLA and the District, including the announcement that an official UTLA-sanctioned strike is being delayed until January 14 at the earliest.

While we recommend that you inform your school community about the change in the date of the strike, job actions like picketing before and after school and/or sick-outs are likely to occur this week. Co-located charters in particular should be prepared for these types of actions as soon as tomorrow. We recommend you, your families, and staff use CCSA's printed statement below, contact us, and do not engage with media otherwise given the heightened anti-charter rhetoric from UTLA at this point in bargaining.

UTLA continues to use negotiations to advocate for a charter cap and polices that harm charter schools. We must be prepared to advocate collectively on these issues should a development occur that negatively effects our students and families. It is critical that your school community remain informed as these issues develop. **As such, we will still hold our 5PM member call tomorrow, and we invite you to join for information and support on any job actions or other developments affecting the charter community. Please look out for another invitation to a member call at 5PM on Monday, January 14 in case of a strike.**

As always, please contact our team with any questions, and review consequential news media clips and CCSA-provided resources below:

- **The strike has been delayed until Monday, January 14, and LAUSD is seeking delay it further.** Today, after a judge indicated that no decision would be reached until tomorrow, UTLA moved the strike date until Monday, January 14. Earlier this week when attempting to delay the strike, UTLA warned of potential unsanctioned "wildcat strikes" if a January 10 strike was ruled illegal. As a result, we anticipate protests will still occur at school sites tomorrow and Friday.
- **Bargaining will continue on Friday.** In a press conference this evening, UTLA noted that bargaining would resume with LAUSD on Friday. During the same event, UTLA President Alex Caputo-Pearl repeated UTLA's call for a cap on all new charter schools in LAUSD and made repeated mention of UTLA's bargaining proposals on charter co-location policy. We continue to monitor negotiations as we work to ensure that charters are not illegally bargained.
- **We have updated member resources and are sharing new guidance.** Our recently **UPDATED** Strike Preparedness How-To Guide for Charter School Leaders includes a complete list of all member resources, including:
  - **NEW:** Sample Statement for Charter Schools to Give to Media During LAUSD Strike
  - **NEW:** Charter Educator Update on UTLA's Open Letter to Charter Teachers (Please review this resources with your legal counsel before distributing to your staff, particularly if you have unique school-specific labor considerations )

- In an effort to equip members to focus on serving kids while we tackle the broader narrative, CCSA has created the following **NEW** resource page for media on the strike.

- As a reminder, if you receive media inquiries, please let your RA Director know, and then use this **NEW** statement to refer reporters to us.
- We will provide additional resources that you can share with families and staff on talking to the media tomorrow.

- Finally, UTLA-represented teachers at The Accelerated Schools held a press conference today to notify the media of their intent to strike next week if a new contract deal is not reached. As a reminder, this is a separate negotiation from UTLA's contract talks with LAUSD. This press conference received limited TV News coverage.

- KPCC/LAist on 1/9/19: LA Teachers Union Has Pushed Possible Strike Date To Monday
- LA Times on 1/9/19: L.A. teachers union postpones strike until Monday
- LA Times on 1/9/19: An L.A. Unified strike will make a messy situation even worse
- LA Times on 1/9/19: Austin Beutner - An L.A. teachers strike — the first in 30 years — would hurt students and families, while solving nothing
- Spectrum1 News on 1/8/19: Charter Schools Remain Point of Contention as Teachers' Strike Looms

#### URGENT: COMMUNICATE

- Personalize and send a letter to your families ASAP.
- Personalize and send this letter to your staff ASAP.

#### Gather and Share Information

- **UPDATED:** Review all information shared by the CSD.
- Request a meeting with your co-located principal, plant manager, and any other key co-located personnel with whom you have a strong relationship.
- Review all resources from CCSA, also listed above:
  - Sample Statement for Charter Schools During LAUSD Strike
  - Fall 2018 Job Action and Picketing Support for Charter School Leaders
  - Fall 2018 Media Support Guide for Charter School Leaders
  - Charter Educator Update on UTLA's Open Letter to Charter Teachers
    - Send this [Discover Charter Schools FAQ Sheet](#)
- Share all job action/strike-related rumors with Chris Copolillo or Cassy Horton.
- Roll-up all strike related questions to Chris Copolillo or Cassy Horton



## URGENT: Plan for Operational Logistics Needs

- Connect with your CSD specialist one-on-one to discuss the logistics or operational concerns specific to your site.

### Designate and Prepare your Leads

- Designate a media spokesperson.
- Review the above Media Support Guide with your spokesperson.

### UPDATED/NEW RESOURCES

**UPDATED:** UTLA Strike Preparedness Guide for Charter Leaders (includes media, picketing and District resources)

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